SYLLABUS COASTAL SKIPPER

Passage planning

- Can plan a coastal passage including a consideration of the capability of the yacht, navigation, victualling, weather, ports of refuge, tidal heights and tidal streams, publications required and strategy.
- Knows Customs procedures

Preparation for Sea

- Is aware of safety equipment required for offshore passages.
- Can prepare a yacht for sea including stowage, safety briefing, watch keeping, delegating responsibilities and equipment and engine checks.

Pilotage

- Can prepare a pilotage plan, with consideration of soundings, transits, clearing bearings, buoyage, port or harbor regulations and tidal considerations.
- Can pilot a yacht by day and night.

Passage making and ability as a skipper

- Can take charge of a yacht and direct the crew
- Can organize the navigation, deck work and domestic duties of a yacht on passage
- Is aware of the significance of meteorological trend
- Is aware of crew welfare on passage
- Can use electronic navigation equipment for planning and undertaking a passage, including the use of waypoints and routes

Yacht handling under power

- Can control the yacht effectively in a confined space under power
- All berthing and unberthing situations in various conditions of wind and tide
- Can sail efficiently on all point of sailing

Yacht handling under sail

- Can use the sails to control the yacht in a confined space
- Anchoring and mooring in various conditions or wind and tide

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- Can sail efficiently on all point of sailing

Adverse weather conditions

- Preparation for heavy weather and yacht handling in strong winds.
- Navigation and general in restricted visibility

Emergency Situations

- Recovery of man overboard under power and sail
- Understands actions to be taken when abandoning to the life raft and during helicopter and lifeboat rescues.